

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: "SELF-MASKING DEFECT) Date: January 24, 2008
REMOVING METHOD")

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL REJECTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The Applicant submits an amendment and reply pursuant in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on July 25, 2007. A response to this Office Action was initially due to be filed, without extension of time, no later than October 25, 2007. A petition for an extension of time of three months and the fee for a three-month extension of time accompany this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as described below and consider the following remarks. All remarks and amendments herein are made without prejudice.

Amendments to the Claims are listed beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.